## **Tobacco Excise Taxes**

**Cigarettes** (in packs of 20): A consumer tax rate of 30 cents per pack effective June 1, 2005.

**Other tobacco products** (cigars, cheroots, stogies, periques, granulated, plug cut, crimp cut, ready rubbed and other smoking tobacco, cavendish, plug and twist tobacco, fine-cut and other chewing tobacco, shorts, refuse scraps, clippings, cuttings and sweepings of tobacco and other kinds and forms of tobacco prepared in a manner to be suitable for chewing or smoking in a pipe or otherwise, or both for chewing or smoking but does not include cigarettes or snuff: wholesale tax rate of 7.5 percent of gross receipts effective Aug. 1, 2005.

**Snuff** (any finely cut, ground, or powdered tobacco that is not intended to be smoked), includes "moist snuff" in long cut and fine cut varieties: wholesale tax rate of 9.5 cents per unit (1.5 ounces). Any smokeless tobacco product similar in composition and makeup to snuff shall be taxed at the rates applicable to snuff.